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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: PUERTO RICO

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1. I USED OCCASION OF LENGTHY TOUR D'HORIZON MARCH 11 WITH FONMIN FRED WILLS TO RAISE WITH HIM AGAIN THE TREATMENT OF PUERTO RICO BOTH IN NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE AND IN UN COMMITTEE OF 24. WILLS ASSURED ME THAT GOG IS STILL ON OUR SIDE IN REGARDING PUERTO RICO AS HAVING FREELY EXERCISED RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND THEREFORE NOT APPROPRIATE SUBJECT FOR ACTION BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANS. HE SAID HE HIMSELF WOULD CHANGE HIS MIND ONLY RPT ONLY IF HE WERE SHOWN EVIDENCE OF SUBSTANTIAL INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT AMONG PUERTO RICANS ONISLAND (NOT EXPATRIATES IN NEWYORK, ETC)

2. I ASKED WILLS IF HE COULD RECALL HOW CUBAN LANGUAGE ON PUERTO RICO GOT ADOPTED AT LIMA MEETING OF NAM LAST YEAR (REFTEL A, PARA 4). HE SAID HE CLEARLY STATED, AS HEAD GUYANA DELEGATION, GOG OPPOSITION TO THIS LANGUAGE, BUT THAT AFTER SEVERAL STATEMENTS THE CHAIR INDICATED THE LANGUAGE WAS ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS.

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3. I SAID USG APPRECIATED FACT THAT PUERTO RICO IS ONE OF FEW
ISSUES ON WHICH, AT LEAST SO FAR, GOG AND USG SEE EYE TO EYE.
I DID NOT WANT TO MAKE A NUISANCE OF MYSELF, BUT IF HE HAD
ANY QUESTIONS OR NEEDED ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND MATERIAL TO ENABLE
HIM (OR GOG DELEGATES) TO SUSTAIN PRESENT POSITION AGAINST PRESSURES
OR ATTACKS WITHIN NAM OR UN, WE COULD GIVE HIM A GREAT DEAL OF
MATERIAL. WILLS THANKED ME AND SAID HE WOULD INDEED LIKE TO HAVE
MATERIAL ON AD HOC COMMISSION AND UPDATING ON GENERAL CONDITIONS
ON PUERTO RICO. I AM ARRANGING TO SEND HIM COPIES OF MATERIAL ON
AT EMBASSY.
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